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1. The Volkspolizei along the zonal border in the Salzwedel were placed on the highest alert status on 5 January.
2. Motorized Volkspolizei units in the Cottbus area have been on alert status since 13 January. These units are allegedly to be committed on the Potsdam-Westkreuz railroad line after the anticipated interruption of interurban (S-Bahn) railroad traffic between East and West Berlin.

Comment: Both reports are unconfirmed. It is believed that these measures are of local significance only.

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